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of a bond in the amount of the appraised value of the conveyance if it is not evidence of a violation of law or has design or other characteristics that particularly suit it for use in illegal activities. This bond must be in the form of a traveler's check, a money order, a cashier's check or an irrevocable letter of credit made payable to the Department of Justice or to the United States Customs Service depending on which agency seized the conveyance. A bond in the form of a cashier's check will be considered as paid once the check has been accepted for payment by the financial institution which issued the check.

(b) If a substitute res bond is filed and the conveyance is judicially forfeited, the court will forfeit the bond in lieu of the property.

§1316.99 Notice provisions.

(a) Special notice provision. At the time of seizure of property defined in

§1316.91 for violations involving the possession of personal use quantities of a controlled substance and conveyances seized pursuant to §1316.95, written notice must be provided to the possessor of the property regarding applicable statutes and Federal regulations including the procedures established for the filing of a petition for expedited release and for the posting of a substitute res bond as set forth in sections 6079 and 6080 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988 and implementing regulations.

(b) Standard notice provision. The standard notice to the owner as required by title 19, U.S.C., section 1607 and applicable regulations, shall be made at the earliest practicable opportunity after determining ownership of the seized property or conveyance and shall include the legal and factual basis of the seizure.